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Optimist Club of Richfield, MN Dakotas-Manitoba-Minnesota District Club Number 35125
Established - May 8, 1958 - Now in our 64th year of serving Richfield

November 16, 2022

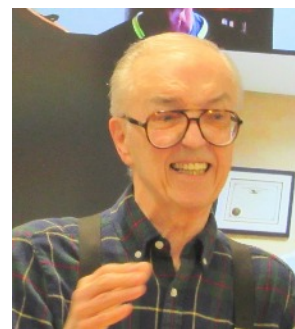
**THIS WEEK:
November 16, 2022**

**\$5.00 per member
Coffee & Breakfast**

**Meeting at 7:30 AM at 401 West 70th street
School District Boardroom**

Speaker: Julie Worthen - MY Credit Union Travel

Our speaker last week was member **Mike Fogarty**. Mike grew up in Chicago along with 3 siblings. His memories of interface with his Father are fond ones. They lived a few blocks from Lake Michigan so Mike was able to fish from the pier. They later moved to Morton Grove, IL where he remembers work as a golf caddy. In 1951, he was stricken with bulbar polio, which hospitalized him for at least six weeks, followed by ongoing therapy at home. In 1957, the family moved to Mpls.. Mike graduated from Roosevelt HS.



In 1960, he began work at Pillsbury, in the mail room. In 1962 he was drafted into the US Army, and soon found himself in Ft. Leonard Wood, MO. Though not requested, he was assigned as a fireman (Heating furnaces & stoves). After Basic Training, he became a Clerk/Typist, & later upon transfer to Georgia, he became a Postal Clerk. He discharged in 1964, but joined the Army Reserves at Ft Snelling. He returned to work at Pillsbury where he was to meet his wife. He used the GI Bill to return to a Vo-Tech education. His next employment was Western Electric, where he advanced and found himself & wife enjoying frequent assignments to Colorado. Mike in 1972 moved to Richfield to his home on Dupont Av. Mike found a job he enjoyed at Crest Engineering, where he stayed for 22 years. He joined our Optimist Club in 2011 and has been a stellar volunteer ever since.

CLUB NEWS >>>> Jim Schwanebeck and Tony Koval continue to recover from serious medical events. Tony is doing rehab & sends greetings to everyone. Both of these gentlemen need your continued prayers..

Board meeting on Wed Nov 16 at noon at Headway

Cashier Nov 16 John Bjostad
Cashier Nov 23 Mike Fogarty/Mary Christenson
Cashier Nov 30 Doug Kleist

The Optimist Creed

Promise yourself

To be so strong that nothing can disturb your peace of mind.

To talk health, happiness and prosperity to every person you meet.

To make all your friends feel that there is something in them.

To look at the sunny side of everything and make your optimism come true.

To think only of the best, work only for the best, and expect only the best.

To be just as enthusiastic about the success of others as you are about your own.

To forget the mistakes of the past and press on to the greater achievements of the future.

To wear a cheerful countenance at all times and give every living creature a smile.

To give so much time to the improvement of yourself you have no time to criticize others.

To be too large for worry, too noble for anger, too strong for fear, and too happy to permit the presence of trouble.